IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph appearing on page 1, line 4 to page 2, line 3 as follows:

The present invention is related to applications entitled [[A]] ~~System Area Network of End-to-End Context via Reliable Datagram Domains, serial no.~~ [[_____]] ~~09/692,354, attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0625-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Pausing a Send Queue without Causing Sympathy Errors, serial no. [[_____]] ~~09/692,340,~~ *now U.S. Patent no. 6,766,467* ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0626-US1~~; End Node Partitioning using LMC for a System Area Network, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,351, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0628-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Dynamic Retention of System Area Network Management Information in Non-Volatile Store, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,365, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0629-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Retaining Network Security Settings Across Power Cycles, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,337, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0630-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Reporting Unauthorized Attempts to Access Nodes in a Network Computing System, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,348, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0631-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Reliably Choosing a Master Network Manager During Initialization of a Network Computing System, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,346, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0632-US1~~; Method and Apparatus for Ensuring Scalable Mastership During Initialization of a System Area Network, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,341, ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0633-US1~~; and Method and Apparatus for Using a Service ID for the Equivalent of Port ID in a Network Computing System, serial no. [[_____]] 09/692,352, *Now abandoned.* ~~attorney docket no. AUS9-2000-0634-US1~~, all of which are filed even date hereof, assigned to the same assignee, and incorporated herein by reference.